

## ABSTRACT

Apparatus and method for establishing a communication link. A negotiation data  
5 transmitting section, associated with a plurality of initiating communication devices,  
transmits carriers to a responding communication device. A negotiation data receiving  
section, associated with the plurality of initiating communication devices, receives  
carriers from the responding communication device, in response to the transmitted  
carriers. A selecting device selects an appropriate communication device from the  
10 plurality of communication devices, in accordance with the responding communication  
device, in order to establish a communication channel.